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Dear Prof. Oliver

Thanks for Bot. Bibliog.
and all your nice papers
Also for your interesting
letter about *Soranthraceae*
and your revision of them (Nov.
19), which I have not ~~responded~~
responded to; for really I
never studied these things at
all. Engelman made a list
of them - as to our species, and
so of course I have let them
entirely alone. So I have no
opinion at all whether Wislizenus
is right or wrong about *W. Ind. Ar-*
ceuthitia & *Erundopsis*.

But pray tell me what is
the no. of the *Venerucularia* plant
of Fendler which you identify
with *Anti-duphne* of Poeppig.

I have put *maile* fts. of
Phoradendron flavescens in soak,
and will look at them ^{under} ~~at~~ ^{microscope} ~~with~~ ^{by} ~~day~~ ^{day} light
to ~~minim~~ ^{minim} ~~microscope~~ ^{microscope} ~~by~~ ^{by} ~~day~~ ^{day} light.
My eyes are not, as once, up to
microscope in the evening by gas
light. - Yours ever. Albany

P. S. I find all the
anthers of *P. flavescens* are
2-celled. But the line of dehiscence
runs across the top continuously; very
likely the partition may sometimes
be abortive.

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